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Eire

When Eire first rose from the dark-swelling flood,
God blessed the green island, and saw it was good;
The emerald of Europe, it sparkled and shone,
In the ring of the world, the most precious stone.
In her sun, in her soil, in her station thrice blest,
With her back towards Britain, her face to the west,
Eire stands proudly insular, on her steep shore,
And strikes her high harp 'mid the ocean's deep roar.

Wm. Drennan

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. . . editorially

We have once again observed and concluded "Brotherhood Week" here in Canada. This one week, out of the fifty - two that make up our calender year, brings forth the topics and instances that are part and parcel of our problems of racial, religious and indescriminatory biases. During this week of the world-wide recognition for the need of true brotherhood for the peoples of the earth I read, in various publications, a number of articles that struck me as having a great deal in common. Perhaps only remotely recognizable in their relationship they presented something of a parallel to me, one might even say an imbrication of facts that has a very lucid relationship to Brotherhood Week.

The first article I read had to do with the impending sale of that notorious penal settlement Devil's Island by the French Government. For a period of over one hundred and eight years this tiny settlement, often referred to as the "Dry Guillotine," was the recipient of some fifty thousand of France's worst criminals. Chained and caged, they were shipped to this forsaken part of the world, there to await the only release they could ever gain, death. Escape was attempted by hundreds of these unfortunates but the jungles of the mainland and the shark infested waters about were barriers that few overcame. One of the more prominent of those to be sent to the Island, on which the worst offenders were held, was Alfred Dreyfus. Convicted of treason, Dreyfus spent five long, tortuous years upon the "Island of the Damned." Publically defended by Emile Zola in a powerful letter ,J'accuse, national and world-wide publicity forced a re-trial in which Dreyfus was found innocent of the charges of treason and was freed, gaining his former place in society and eventually being made a member of the Legion of Honor. For his part in the defence of Dreyfus, Zola himself, was fined and imprisoned.

At the moment there is being debated, in the House of Commons, a Bill to amend or abolish the Death Penalty. At the present time there is little hope that the law will be changed but it is nevertheless the belief of many that Capital Punishment should be revised and/ or done away with. Whatever the affirmative side has in point in favor of Capital Punishment it is doubtful that it can claim that the loss of a convicted one's life can in any way be fully justified. Both the affirmative and the negative sides of this debate quote and misquote the Bible in their endeavors to justify the taking of human life yet logic does not agree that two wrongs will ever make a right.

If there had been a mandatory death sentence for treason in France, Alfred Dreyfus would have been executed! Innocent of treason charges, Dreyfus *was in fact the victim of racial and national prejudices!* An innocent man would have been executed. Would then the scales of Justice be balanced?

National Brotherhood Week, Devil's Island and the debate of Capital Punishment. Three items that at first do not appear to be relative to one another, but aren't they really? And isn't it truely a shame that mankind can only allot *one* week to the recognizance of the fact that love and respect is the due that should be shown, each man to the other, regardless of race, color or creed.

S.M.P. WELFARE ELECTION HELD

B. Winters

Shown above, (left to right) Ray Merasty, Eddie Hashka and Ivan Brown were the three successful candidates in the S.M.P. Inmate Welfare Elections held here at Stony Lonesome on February 15th, 1960. Merasty with 221 votes, and Brown with 206 votes showed the biggest majorities. Hashka with 160 will be the third man on the new committee.

Runners-up, holding more than a sixty per-cent average of the total votes cast were Russel Smith with 144 votes and Mitch Herman with 134. Two other aspirants in the race for committeemen were Birdy and Paul Severight. Counting only sixty votes Birdy was eliminated as was Severight with seventy-nine.

Russel Smith, a member of the Committee of 1959 will be the first in line in the event that a vacancy occures before term of office is completed by any of the elected members. Mitch Herman of course, will be elegible also should such a vacancy take place.

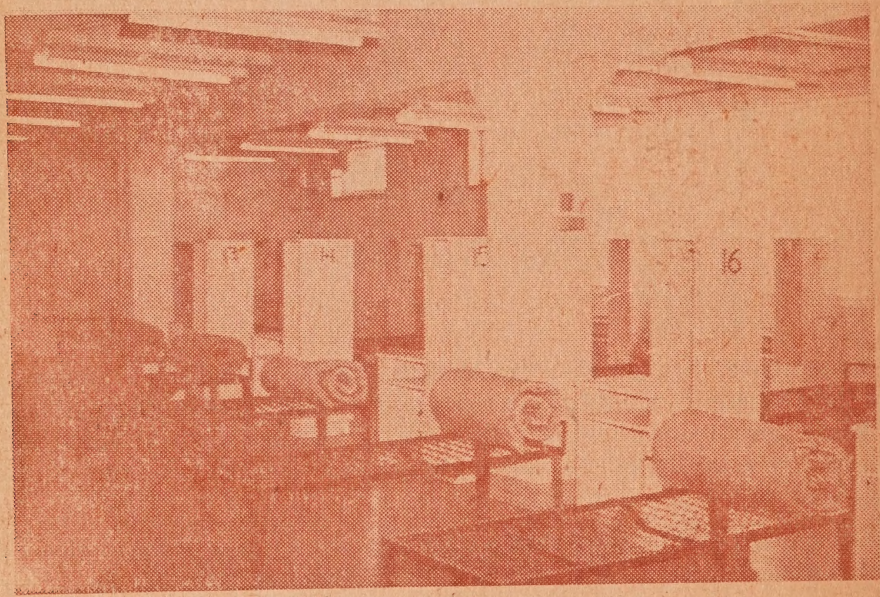
Of a total of four hundred and eight elegible voters, 396 ballots were cast. Valid ballots totaled 373, rejected ballots numbered 23.

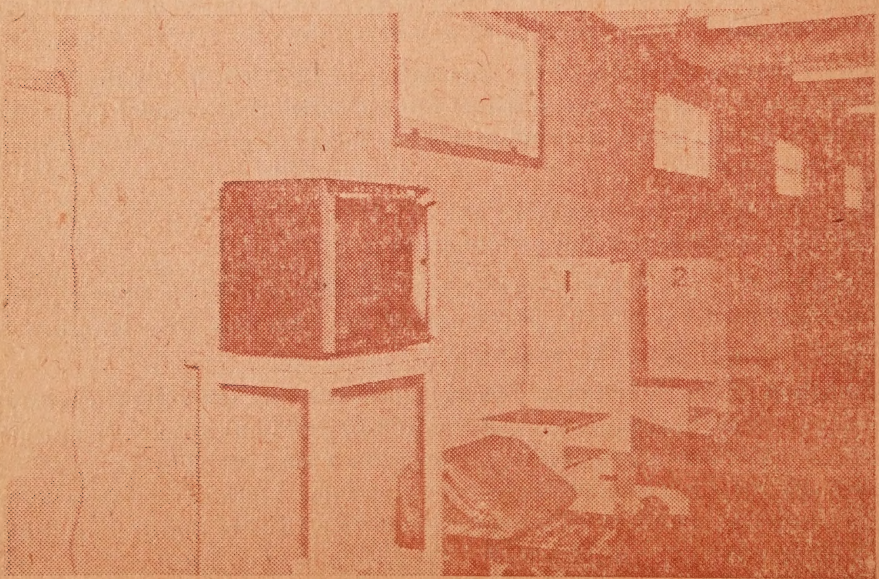
Members of the steering committee were Ken Neely, Ed Lee, Bunney, Bud Winters and chairman, Fred Heaps. Scrutineers of the Staff were Mr. Thorgrimson our Librarian and Mr. Shirtliffe, Teacher.

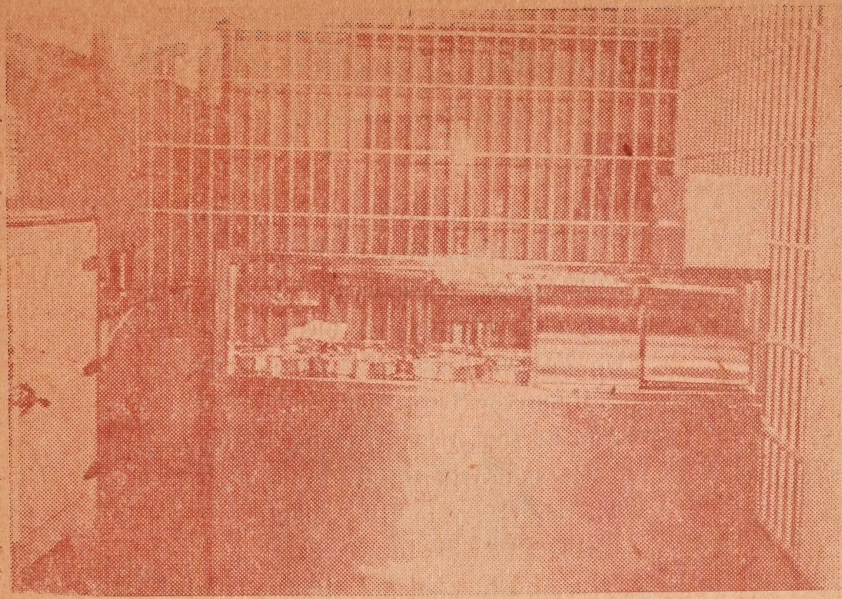
On behalf of the candidates, steering committee and the voters in general a vote of thanks goes to the members of the Administration who gave their time and efforts to make the running off of this election a success. The Echoes and its staff wish to add their best wishes to the successful candidates for a good term of office and to the members of the past committee, Russel Smith and Willie Benning congratulations on a job well done.

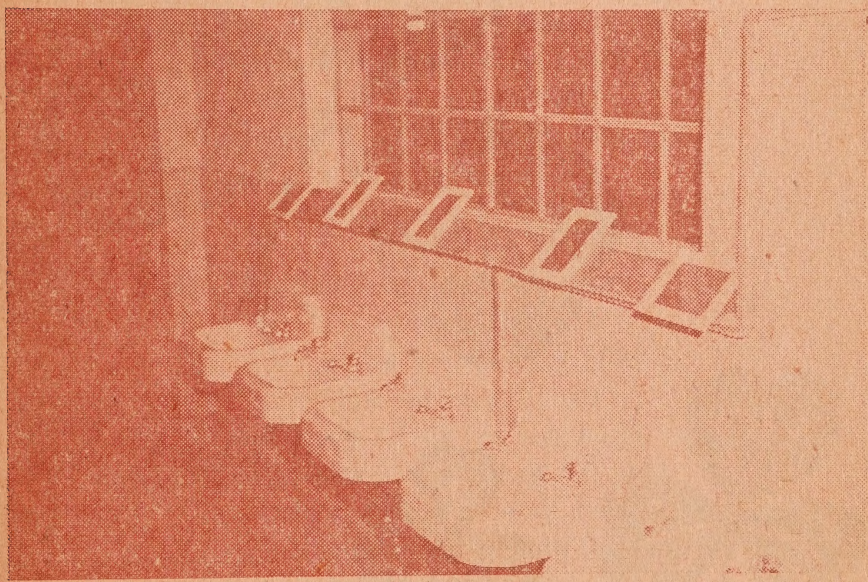
NEW DORM

On March 14th. the new pre-release Dormitory was ready for occupation and a nucleus of some twenty odd men took up residence there-in. One hundred feet in length and fifty feet wide the dorm is comfortably spacious. The floor is a soft-hued green tile and the rest of the decor is a suitable contrast. Entertainment is provided by the TV set and radio. At the present time there are twenty seven occupants, "short timers," and they are all quite pleased with the inovation. The results of such a dormitory will no doubt be observed, not only by the inmate while in here but when the date of release arrives he will no longer feel so much "the loner."









No. 1 . . . View showing one of the two glass block windows which provide more than adequate bright lighting conditions in the dorm during daylight hours. Single beds and individual clothing racks for each inmate assures maximum comfort and privateness.

No. 2 . . . For the hours of relaxation T. V. entertainment is provided. For those who prefer it there are radio facilities also.

No. 3 . . . Compact stainless steel steam tables assure hot meals served cafeteria style. The meals are prepared in the Main Kitchen and transported to the dorm shortly before meal time.

No. 4 . . . Hot and Cold running water, shower stalls and sinks are a most welcome inovation to those who have been hacking off beards via the cold water route for so long.

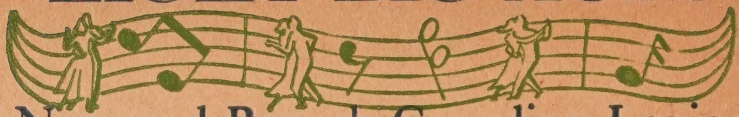
'Tis March Me Lads!

By Tony Anthony

Oh! Look you now, upon my cap!
  A shamrock glistens there!
'Tis March, me lads, and that is why
  I walk with jaunty air.
St. Patrick looks with glowing face
  Upon the Irish race
And as the Irish drink his health
  He smiles in stately grace
There's Casey fightin' Riley!
  O'Grady's kissin' Kate!
'Nd sure 'nd all, an' ain't it true!
  O'Malley's come in late!
The Irish whiskey's flowin' free,
  'Tis tinted green, sure 'tis
And me oh my! And sure an' all!
  'Tis grand to dance with Liz!
Grandpa's got his fiddle out,
  O'Leary's set to jig
'Nd land o' goodness, there's old Dan,
  Awearin' Maggie's wig!
Old Paddy's in a corner,
  Big Ida's on his lap!
And sure an' all I'll wager that
  Old Paddy gets a slap!
Look ye now, begorra that,
  O'Brady's fightin' mad!
Why bless my soul, 'nd close me eyes,
  A riot's startin', lad!
Begorra and by golly!
  'Tis quite the show, me boy!
And fightin', to an Irishman,
  Is nothin' short of joy!
'Tis March me lads, St. Patrick's Day!
  The time for wearin' green,
And with your pardon, I'll be gone,
  To hunt me fair Colleen!

". . . ya got my number, ya got my name!
Whadya want now — my autograph?"

EIGHT BIG ACTS



Norwood Branch Canadian Legion

Presents

VARIETY CONCERT

B. Winters

Under the auspices of the Norwood Branch of the Canadian Legion an All Star Review made a tremendously successful appearance here at Stony Lonesome on Sunday, February 21st. Mr. Norm Nutter and Mr. Berks Baker in conjunction with Mr. Norm Goodman, President of the Norwood Branch, made this show possible and we here at the Mountain extend to them our heart felt thanks and trust we shall have the pleasure of seeing them again in the near future. A vote of thanks also to our Institutional P. T. I. Mr. Hancock for his endeavours in the presentation of the show Kudos must go to Ray Fortier for his efforts and labors in putting up the decorative back drop, to Heals also for his work on the amplifiers. Also a vote of thanks to Windsor and Berryman for their assistance in readying the concert hall.

In a show that was loaded with talent Jack Parkins and his Orchestra opened with several selections among which were "There'll Never Be Another You" and "Perdido." These boys were slightly terrific and the brand of bounciness tossed about had the show rolling in high gear. The maestro, Jack Parkins on the eighty-eight, Ray Talun clarinet and alto-sax, Tom Prescott was the Bass-man, Al Mc Dermot on drums, Bill Brandl, a real cool slide-man, Al Griffis on guitar, Bob Benstead, a fine trumpet and Barclay Johnson on tenor-sax. A real fine group that showed all the spot solos to perfection!

A repeat performer, and an always welcome one here, Frank Gilraine, comedian and M. C., introduced the next headliner. One of our favorites here at the Mountain, Miss Bernie Garrison was introduced amid a full-house ovation. With Al McDermot at traps in the background, Miss Garrison opened with S'wonderful, accompanying herself on the accordian. A polished T V performer, Bernie belted this one out, then, showing a versatile range and tone she crooned a sweet an' low "Melancholy Baby" that brought great response from the entire assemblage. Ad-libbing nicely Miss Garrison followed up with 'Sugar in the Mornin', My Heart Belongs to Daddy" and "Stupid Cupid," all given the inimitable Garrison treatment by this very lovely and talented Miss.

Mr. Vitality-Plus, Frank Gilraine, kept the crowd in uproars in his M. C. chores and next brought front and center The Hi-Hats. This combo has in fact, seven performers but due to a case of sickness, a previous committment and the difficulty of bringing a Hammond Organ into the "jernt," there were only four of their group present. Boss-man Bud Thompson thumped bass, Roy Deveau, Ray Thompson and Don Thompson were the fancy-dancy guitar men. Real crowd pleasers, these guys! "You Always Hurt The One You Love" was given a mellow solo vocal treatment by one of the boys (pardon us for slipping up on the name,

Buddy. Perenial favorite "Caravan" featured some jim-dandy git-pickin'. Following with a duet version of "Tutti Fruitti" and "Blue Suede Shoes" these rock 'em an' sock 'em manipulators of the steel strings had the crowd wishing they'd enrolled for a finger-snappin course.

Next to be featured on this very fine show were Ian and Betty, the Cowiesons, bringing a breathe o' Bonnie Scotland wi' 'em. Ian played a medley of Scottish airs on the accordian introducing this novel and thoroughly enjoyable act. Appropriately dressed in kilt o' plaid the Mrs. of this husband and wife team came on to sing in a very pleasing voice "Just A Wee Doch 'N Dorra" and "A Gordon For Me" ending their stint behind the bright lights with a honest to goodness Hi'lan' Fling! T'was a bra', D'ya Ken? We trust we will have the pleasure of seeing these two troopers again.

Moving from the sublime to the ridiculous the "Pogo Rythym Boys" once again had the country-style music lovers astompin' and ahollerin'. These artisans of the hoe down brand of entertainment are repeat performers here and are always welcome. "Arkansas Traveller" was their opening number and a crowd pleaser. Moving into the reel and step dance department they kept the toes tappin' in keeping with the brand of popularity they enjoy here. Members of this group were Dave McIntosh, Norm Nutter, Ken Kletke, Gordon Duke and Peter Kouak.

M. C. Gilraine, keeping up a rapid fire brand of humor and ad lib next introduced two entertainers, who I am sure, will always be welcome here at the House on the Hill. Mr. Berks and Arlene Baker, "The Pantomaniacs." Two very seasoned performers, Berks and his very lovely wife Arlene are slightly terrific! "Heart Of My Heart" and "Baby, It s Cold Outside" drew raves and thunderous applause from a delighted audience, both of these in a duet version; Berks' solo "In The Book" must be seen to be appreciated. "Ah'm Confessin'" ala Keely an' Da Preem was a real gasser. Closing their portion of the show the Bakers "Just Because" brought the house down and I s'pose we'll be talkin' about them 'till they come back again, which I hope is real soon!

George Johns, Perry Waksvik, Gordon Duke, Roland Blaquiere and Lawrence Blaquiere, "The Phantoms" opened with "Rebel Rock," an original composition and arrangement. With piano, drums and three electric guitars these boys really pulled all stops! Being an antiquated "Rock" fan myself I was very impressed with this quintette. "Bulldog" and "Big Bop" filled the hall with this shakin' brand of jump! Another original, "Phantom" was the wind-up for this troupe and taken from the top it was crazy, man, crazy!

Guzzlers Gin was the product, Frank Gilraine the huckster, put together and mixed like a real gone Martini the end result was "the end." Putting a seemingly unbounded energy into his presentations this guy gets the nod in our book as the number one M. C.! A very funny comedian Frank "has" the brand of humor that convulses. Let's have more of this guy!

Wrapping up the show Jack Parkins group did justice to a real show clincher, "When The Saints Go Marchin' In." With a fine aggregation of side men Jack made a big hit with all of us out here. The old floorboards of the Mountain's House of Stars has seen some mighty good shows along with some big name talent

But I am sure the consensus of opinion is we have never seen a better show than was witnessed here on the 21st of February! Bar none! In closing may I once again tender our thanks to all who were instrumental in bringing this All-Star Review out here for the benefit of us "Shut-ins" and our best wishes to you all in your future endeavors.

Group picture of Entertainers

(left to right) Bernie Garrison, Betty Cowieson and Arlene Baker

Bernie

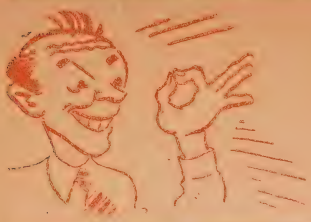
Frank Gilraine

Arlene & Berks Baker

Pogo Rhythm Boys

The Scots

Berks Baker



"It Seems To Me....

Richie Richardson

...that the recent suggestion made by the Federal Parliament to sell Canadian Savings Bonds in lottery-like fashion, (cash prizes et. al.) is something of a paradox. The bonds would still pay a 2% interest but the idea is that the Cash Prize would add more incentive to sales generally. At the present time it is a criminal offence to buy, sell, or have in your possession, sweepstakes or lottery tickets even though the proceeds of such tickets are destined for very worthwhile organizations, ie. hospitals, charities etc. Does the Federal Government presume to suggest that partaking in a lottery is only illegal when practiced by the citizens but is quite on the up and up when under the auspices of the Government.

...that the idea of local radio news editor suggesting that the police should be trained in proper courtroom procedure is a sure way to turn the courts into a quasi-military tribunal. I don't believe that *anyone* should need to be trained to tell the truth! Which, I understand, is all that is required of of an arresting officer in court. It appears that a lawyer is needed to protect one as well as defend one. Such was the case where a man was held in local lock-up for some five months awaiting the prosecutions pleasure which in the end was forced to dismiss the charge because of insufficient evidence.

...that the local sportsmen should have given the Russian hockey team a fairer shake, publicity wise, after their performance in Winnipeg. It is not "how" goals are scored but "how many" that decides the winner in these contests. From this corner the coverage seemed very biased and it proved nothing more to the writer than an attempt to make our Juniors appear a better club than they were that day. If this keeps up the Commies will have a legitimate claim to have "invented" hockey. Nuff said!

...that I'm still not sure of the meaning of "Rehabilitation." Guess I'll have to sign up for another semester! Like, HELP!!!.

...that the "Echoes" staff have recently been carried away by the roarin' game that hails from Bonnie Scotland! Previously, the closest any of them had gotten to the venerable Scotch game was a bottle of Haig & Haig. The team, made up of Ye Olde Editor, ("Fish" SCALES) Winters as Skip, ("Timber" WOODS) Chisholm at Third, ("Balding" BALDWIN) Hutchinson throwing Second and finally, missing *all* his shots at lead ("Waltzing" WALSH) Richardson, to date, by some mysterious turn of fate, have turned back all challangers! Hoot Mon!!! Bring on the Brier!!

...that "Give me fish or give me Death" is a little on the 412 side! (overlooking). But so sez "Newly," Lord bless his deported soul!

...that I was genuinely surprised to read of the latest escapade involving the Immigration Department. Seems in Vancouver a Korean doctor is being deported because he is afflicted with T. B. What is puzzling to me is the fact that this country has recently made the news by accepting not one, but many tubercular immigrants. Could be there are reasons for such procedure, I wonder what they are?

...that we were quite pleased to read in the "Telescope" that our former residents are happy with our efforts. Must say that you people have a lot of loyal readers here also, among which is "Harry the Horse". Musta been a dandy show you had down your way at Xmas! If they decide to put the Show on the road, book us at the top of the list!

...that the greatest threat to World Peace comes not from the Commies but from power-mad dictators like De Gaulle and Castro! France recently showed her disrespect for the U. N. by breaking the ban on Nuclear Tests. Castro seems to be putting all-out effort in order to stir up the Cold War. Where do we go from here? One of these days! Pow! Right inna kisser! ! !

...that "EXODUS" sure is a notable piece of writing. After reading it one has an insight into the trouble that has disrupted the Middle East for centuries. It appears to me that if the United Nations had lived up to their moral commitments rather than their political end-gaining there wouldn't be the trouble there is now in Isreal. Buck passing has been the ruination of far more minor situations than the disposal of races of human beings.

...that the citizens of the Town of Parry Sound, Ontario, (the scene of Canada's latest execution) have suffered pangs of conscience. I read recently where the mayor had petitioned the government protesting the burial of the executed man in the local goals courtyard. Apparently the citizenery do not like walking past the goal knowing an executed man lies buried there. Perhaps the current sitting of the House will bring an end to such situations, and will abolish Capital Punishment.

...that we are losing one of our better boxers and all around good guys Welter-weight Champ, Moe Phillion was in to tell us about his transfer to K P Moe will be missed by all his friends and his absence will be noted in the next boxing card I'm sure. Also, the Editor is somewhat crestfallen since his Handball partner Andy P. is headed East too, sez he'll hafta go a long way to come up with another partner with such a terrific "slothful slob shot"! Best of Luck, guys, to both of you!

...well that's it for another month so until April. Bye B.

Second prize in the *MOUNTAIN ECHOES* Essay Contest. Judged by *IRV GRANGER* (*DALE CARNEGIE INSTRUCTOR*) and won by *E.J. ALBERTINI*

PRE-RELEASE PROGRAM

WHAT IS THIS PRE-RELEASE PROGRAM—IS IT A GOOD THING?

The new pre-release program is a policy of permitting inmates nearing the completion of their sentence the opportunity of visiting down town accompanied by an officer of the penitentiary. I believe this is one of the more important steps yet taken in the rehabilitation of inmates.

An inmate offered this privilege visits down town for several days prior to his release and goes through stores, visits restaurants and makes small purchases such as cigarettes, soft drinks, etc. He gets the opportunity of talking to store clerks, restaurant employees and during this period which is a brief one he is too busy to think of himself and has no time to become self-conscious of his position where he starts to think people are watching him. This has always been a handicap for an ex-inmate. The mere fact that he is accompanied by an officer who he knows gives him added confidence.

The new pre-release system is good as far as it goes but I think it does not go far enough. I would like to see the inmate be allowed to start out visiting town with the officer, then slowly be permitted to walk around town on his own and meet the officer in time to come back here for the evening. An inmate with several weeks to go after serving five or more years and left alone on his honor will not violate the trust placed in him I feel sure. (The fact that he could lose some remission if he did also helps to keep him in line). I would also like to see the inmate be permitted to visit the National Employment Office and if any vacancies exist in suitable employment be allowed to visit the prospective employer. By so doing he will be able to present his qualifications in person and the prospective employer will be better able to evaluate the man's worth. By so doing a man may be able to have a job to go to directly on his release. If he was to wait until he was released to go looking for a job he would in all probability let several days slide by before he started to look and by this time he may be in poor shape financially and the feeling of insecurity may start creeping into his mind. One or two refusals and he would start to think the world is against him.

According to the Minister of Justice he is quite prepared to have prospective employers visit the penitentiaries to interview inmates so that the idea of having an inmate visit prospective employers on his pre-release outside visits should not be too hard to arrange and approve.

One more point in favour of pre-release and I think this is quite important and that is the feelings of the inmate. As one inmate told me recently, "I did not mind coming back the first and second day but I sure hated like heck to come back the third day after I got used to seeing how the other half lived." This I feel could condition a man's mind in comparing the two ways of living. He sees

the outside world and then has to come back here and it strikes real hard. If the inmate sees the outside world the day he is released he immediately forgets or trys to forget the penitentiary ways. Actually I cannot see any disadvantages to this program with the exception of it not going far enough but this I feel will come in good time.

ATTENTION: To All Penal Publications.

"Tharunka," a penal release, published at H. M. Training Prison, Geelong, Victoria, Australia has asked us to pass along the request to other members of the Penal Press, that they be included on the various exchange lists. We, here at the "Mountain" acknowledge receipt of the recent copies of "Tharunka" and wish to extend, to the staff and the administration at Geelong, our wish for every success for them in the future. Appreciate the kind words also.

MAILING ADDRESS TO "THARUNKA"
c/o Governor
H. M. Training Prison
Geelong, Victoria,
Australia.

". . . an' when we came to dead-end in the lane he stopped an' said take me to your leader!"

"DEAR EDITOR..."

This here cowboy is of the thoughts that your Slippery Syd guy is gonna pass right outta this here world one of these days an' Oh! Justice! I'm asittin' here an' thinkin' as how I jest might be able to fill thet saddle thet's gonna be empty when Sid up an' leaves this here corral. I reckon Sid will shore be plumb pleased to pull on those blue jeans agin after wearin' ol' brown denims for so many cottin' pickin' rehabilitashun years!

Howsa 'bout it, Mr. Editor? Ain't thet job of writin' 'bout thet there thing called Ramblin's comin' agin? I'd kinda like to try my hand at this writin' business an' heres my applicashun. Okay? . . . Okay.

Now, 'bout my quahficashuns . . I ain't no pregnant writer but I've been in some gosh darn high falutin' corners in my life. Right from rip-snortin' square dances they give at Judique Mabou, down there by Nova Scotia. I rode the rods to, an' then rode them bulls at that there Stampede out there by Alberta. An' if you think I'm lyin', I got the scars to prove it! I ain't much on spellin' long words but I don't use 'em anyways an' Oh Justice!, I don't rightly recall many cowpokes that do. Anyways, the school-teacher gave me a dickshunary 'way back an' I can find all the big words in there. Okay? Okay.

You know what? These here guys travelin' from Jails to Courts an' Jails to jails etc., they all get institutionalized. Now I've been travellin' like thet there for quite a spell now an' I ain't got that way! Oh, Justice an' Hoity-toity no! I ain't institutionalized, I'm Homogenized! Anyhow, goin' 'round like thet learned me some good stories. Some as could be told to the parson's missus an' some that would curl Brandin' Annie's crew-cut. An, Oh, Justice! I also gets the notion to write a poem once in a while. You wanta hear one? Okay? Okay.

Last night wuz dark, 'cause the lights wuz out,
Against the wall I banged my snout,
The little white bowl I couldn't see
So I had to sit to pour my tea.

I shore hope thet this here poem is okay. Okay? okay. Now podner, if you can raise my pay to eighteen cents to cover the high cost of peanut butter an' git me one of them there passes thet tell them there guys to open the doors 'round here, well then, me'n you kin do business. I've been here fer quite a spell now an' I've seen some funny things an' stuff thet could be wrote about. Let me ask you somethin'? Okay? Okay. Did you ever see a guard ridin' down your range on a cat? No? Well, I ain't either, but I ain't sayin' as I won't! Oh, Justice, no, not yet I ain't! Right now I gotta run, 'cause them there guys on my range wanta hear some real good music an' singin', an' Oh Justice, you know what? My guitar ain't tuned up yet! Okay? Okay.

Sincerly

Slipshod Sam.

ROCKS 'N SHOTS

Cookie

and Hank

With the blessings of Old Man Winter, in the form of perfect weather conditions, the S.M.P. Curling Club has once again completed a very successful season. Two Bonspeils, each containing three events, were played without a hitch with much credit for this going to our able President Cook, who did a bang-up job in his duties this past season. The results of the various Bonspeils are as follows:

FIRST BONSPEIL
WARDEN'S TROPHY.

CEC ALLEN skipped his rink to win this trophy with MARLOWE playing Lead, WEIBE at Second and ZELINSKY Third.

DEPUTY WARDEN'S TROPHY.

With UMPHREYS at Lead, MATTS, Second and SAVAGE at Third, COOK skipped his foursome to a win in this event.

CHIEF KEEPER'S TROPHY.

"CHUCKLES" KARPENCHUK and his quartet of KELLY, Lead, HAY as Second and CONDON the Third showed constistency in taking this trophy.

SECOND BONSPEIL
WELFARE TROPHY.

HANK Skipped his team to take this trophy with F. ZIMMER at Lead, AL BERNIER, Second and G. UNROW at Third.

FATHER BEDFORD TROPHY.

CLARENCE BUNN as Skip won this event with LAFOND as Lead, ROBERTS at Second and CARL STORRY his Third.

Four other teams not in the winners circle were;

SKIP	LEAD	SECOND	THIRD
E. MITCHELL	HORBAS	CARRUTHERS	MONTY
O'KIPNICK	PAPPAS	SULLIVAN	CLINT
JIM ELK	OVERTON	DORION	HEAP
SHEARSMITH	GLENDENNING	YERKINS	ZADOROSNY

A very interesting addition to the regular curling season here at the Mountain was the formation of two All-Star rinks, chosen by ten of the years Skips. These two rinks had a successful run, winning six out of ten games played thus far. Stan Parker of C. B. W. T. Winnipeg, brought out two rinks on two different occasions. Winning both games the first trip and losing both the second time out here. We are certainly looking forward to the third of these contests, for which a trophy will be presented. High-light All-Star game of the season was an event played by a rink skipped by Mr. Snell and the Warden at Third. The All-Stars taking this one eleven to four. The game was played much better than the score would indicate, Mr. Snell, at Skip, missed a very important "Take-Out" and gave up a four ender, from there on it was the "All Stars" all the way. This concludes the news, rink-wise for now, and possibly for the season, depending on the weather.

OUR INVISIBLE PRISONERS

A.E.M.

You're in prison. You may not belong here, but the fact remains, you are here.

You bitterly denounce the judge who sent you here, you abuse the prosecutor who took you before the court in the first place; you hold ill feelings and curse the witness who pointed at you and said, "That's the man." Last, but by no means least, you curse the people that hold you here. This is not unusual but rather unnatural since prison is not man's natural habitat. In such a place he is deprived of many of the physical and psychological factors which contribute to a happy normal life in a free society. The desires for these factors is present in each of us, in a greater or lesser degree and it is quite normal for the human organism to hold resentment agains anyone or anything which frustrates these desires.

All in all, we feel pretty sorry for ourselves. We are the victims of a vicious social malignancy; we're flies trapped in a spider-web from which we cannot extricate ourselves. It's pretty tough on us, isn't it?

But, how true is this? True, we're doing time; we're the ones who undergo the agonizing routine of prison life; the tortuous nights of sleeplessness and thought but is it really we who are paying the real price for our imprisonment?

No! It's not you! You are guilty, or at least a judge or jury of your peers was convinced you were. But what about your wife and your child or children; perhaps your parents? They've done nothing and yet they must bear a disproportionate share of your shame and punishment! They are the ones who need and deserve sympathy and pity, not you. In the normal functioning of our social system the wife is a worker the same as her husband, her work consisting of the maintanance of a home for her husband and her children. In terms of actual labor this task assumes greater physical proportions than the work of most men. Few occupations can rival it for complexities and details. Yet, with you in prison, the wife must take on your responsibilities in addition to her own, in effect, do the work of two people. Compare her burden with your own and decide which; you or your wife, is bearing the brunt of your transgressions!

Then there is your offspring. No member of an uncivilized culture can take such delight in torturing as children can thoughtlessly take in inflicting upon other children. Physical defects, mental retardation; these are objects of great delight and subjects of jest for these unthinking jibers. Can you imagine a group of children, following yours down the street, chanting in derision, sing-song fashion about you being in prison? Suppose this isn't so, how about the way this

enormous problem must appear to a child. What can a mother say to her little children that will completely answer queries as to why Daddy isn't home? Compare your child's burden to your own and decide which is greater.

Compare at the moment, and decide which has the greater load? You or your wife. And yet. . . . what is it that makes the days and nights in prison at all tolerable? It's the letters from your wife, the assurance of a new and wonderful life for you both when you leave prison. It's the little notes enclosed with the letters, written in childish scrawl which pleads "please come home daddy, cause' we love you"! It's the Birthday cards; the Christmas cards and the Valentine cards you receive from your family. All these are a sustaining strength that makes it all bearable. Don't feel sorry for yourself! The judge gave you a mere sentence but he was saying, by implication;

"I sentence you to take up the responsibilities of an errant husband; to provide the livelihood for yourself and your family which will be for the required number of years. I sentence you to a thousand heart-aches which are entailed in the upbringing of your young ones. I sentence you to make regular visits to the prison to see your husband, garbed in prison denim and existing behind stone walls, but you are not to show, by word or quivering lip, the emotional upheaval which takes place with-in you. You are to smile and encourge him, assure him that all is well. Your child I sentence to run the gamut of the heartless, thoughtless cruelties of childhood; so shall you be burdened! Let the prisoner depart in tears!"

We have it easy. We serve only our sentence. . . They pay the price!

INGRATITUDE

The sun was shining in my eyes
And I could hardly see
To do the necessary task
That was allotted me
Resentful of the vivid glow
I started to complain
When all at once upon the air
I heard a blind man's cane

Hazel Bloomgarden.

★ ALL STAR HOCKEY ★

Don Hambleton

Elmwood Mercurys 5 — All Stars 3

On Sunday, Feb. 14th., the Stars hosted the Elmwood Mercurys for the first time this saason. In a game that was fast paced and one-sided for the first two periods' the Merc's showed a crowd of onlookers that they can't be beat two years in a row. Here in short is a resume of the game.

In the first period, the Merc's got underway when Miller, assisted by Boyd, scored the first point of the game. Braun followed by scoring unassisted, to end the scoring for that period.

McQuay, assisted by Smallwood, opened up the second period. Then Smallwood scored unassisted to put the Merc's ahead 4-0. That is the way the period ended.

The Stars got into the game in the third period when McCooeye scored assisted by Condon and Parker. Roulette tallied their second goal on a pass from Mitchell. McCooeye got his second goal as he scored assisted by Benning. That was all for the Stars, for the Merc's put a stop to it right there. But just to be on the safe side they tallied again with the credit going to McQuay. Assists were from Armstrong and Braun. See you next year fellas.

Sacred Heart 4 — All Stars 9

For the second time this season the All Stars played host to the Sacred Heart team. After losing the first game, the Stars were out to win this one and they succeeded. This was a fast paced and clean game. I would like to see more of this type of hockey. Here is a resume of the game.

In the first period, the Sacred Heart boys opened up the scoring when Bunn scored unassisted. They scored two more quick goals, Dumonary from Perlish and G. Lacoste from Dumonary before the Stars answered. Marks scored first for the Stars, assisted by Derocher. Then in the last five minutes of the period the Stars scored three fast goals to take the lead. They were, McCooeye from Derocher. Condon from Hutchinson and Condon unassisted.

The Stars got three goals to Sacred Heart's one in the second period. McCooeye scored twice assisted by Condon and Derocher on the first and Roulette and Condon on the second. Lacoste scored Sacret Heart's single marker assisted by Paradise and Gemache. Roulette, assisted by Parker and Mc Cooeye, scored for the Stars just before the end of the period.

McCooeye and Bennett scored one apiece in the third period, with Hutchinson and Condon assisting on McCooeye's and Marks assisting Bennett.

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HILLTOP BASKETBALL

"Richie" Richardson

LOCALS 89 PROVOST CORPS 29

The local cagers came up with their first win of the season by trampling the Provost Corps quite handily 89 29. As it turned out, the Corps squad was making its debut as a unit and as a result their ball handling was eratic.

The Local's top scorers in this contest were Yogi and Whiteley tallying thirty and twenty-four points respectively. Ducharme garnered fifteen with Lombaert next in line with six points. Moore and Settee put an added four points each to the score, with Sullivan, Cooper and DesRosiers notching two apiece.

Our score keeper tells us the score sheet for the Corps team is unavailable so we cannot give their linescores. However we do wish to thank them for coming out and trust they will make a return engagement in the future.

UNITED COLLEGE 79 LOCALS 51

Journeying out to the House on the Hill on the 14th of February the United College squad showed that the will to win just isn't enough, showing a well drilled attack the College Cagers dumped the Locals with a twenty-eight point margin. Nice ball handling and a speedy attack plus a defense that wouldn't allow the Locals to get untracked put the Locals back in the loss column.

Scoring for the Collegians were, top man, McKeag with twenty points, Lisowski getting thirteen, McClitok sinking eleven points, Kerr with ten, Lloyd tallied nine, Mills and Randelier had four each and finally Andrews getting two points for a nice team effort.

Once again Yogi led the Local scorers with fifteen points. Ken Ducharme had an eleven point day and "Ozark" Whiteley managed to get seven. Cooper with six, Moore with five, Sullivan had four and Boiley with three rounded out the scoring.

PLAYER	GAMES	FIELD GOALS	FREE THROW	FOUL	TOTALS
YOGI	5	41	3	5	85
WHITELEY	5	28	3	14	59
DUCHARME	5	21	3	13	45
LOMBAERT	5	12	1	2	25
COOPER	4	4	2	1	10
SULLIVAN	5	5	0	2	10
MOORE	4	4	1	8	9
SETTEE	4	4	0	2	8
BOILY	1	1	1	0	3
DESROSIERS	1	1	0	0	2

INTRA-MURAL HOCKEY

Richie Richardson

CANADIANS 4 WINGS 3

The CANUCKS, led by the leagues two top scorers Berryman and Mitchell overcame a two goal deficit and dumped the WINGS 4-3 to move into top spot in the S. M. P. Hockey League. This was a wide open contest and could have gone either way had not the WINGS lost their newly aquired defenseman via a game misconduct early in the game. Both Windsor, in the WINGS cage, and Vivier in the CANADIAN nets turned in their usual steady games.

Ironsted opened the scoring on a pass from McLean, Smoke then made it two in a row for the WINGS, sinking home a pass from Barker. "Moose" Severight put the CANUCKS on the tally sheet when he beat Windsor to the draw after making a rink long rush through the entire WINGS team. Baluk then gave the WINGS their two goal edge by edging the rubber past Vivier on a pass from Ironsted. From here on in it was all CANADINS. Mitchell hit pay-dirt with a solo effort. Mitchell tallied again, taking a pass from Doug Derocher to tie up the old ball game. "Running Bear" Berryman fired the winning point taking a pass from a fired-up Mitchell.

LEAFS 4 HAWKS 2

The LEAFS pulled a surprise upset, coming from behind to edge the BLACK-HAWK club and kill their chances for a first place niche. This was the first win of the season for the LEAFS and they were again led by their very versatile centerman, "Blackie" Gagnon.

Meccas pushed home Moe Mark's pass to open the scoring in this contest John Roulette put the HAWKS ahead making a nice solo effort. Then, like the man says, the roof fell in. Wesley, of the LEAFS started the ball rolling scoring a picture goal on a solo rush. Wesley again scored, taking a pass from Gagnon. "Pete" Severight gave the LEAFS the lead, banging home a pass from a red-hot Gagnon. Putting the game on ice for the LEAES, Gagnon made a solo rush and beat the HAWK net-minder.

LEAFS 7 WINGS 2

Amid cries demanding a saliva test the revitalized LEAFS added another win to their tally sheet. This made it two in a row for this cellar club and again they came from behind, drubbing the WINGS soudly. Could be this is the team to watch in the play-offs.

Mike Baluk was the triggerman on both the HAWK goals, set up on both by Ironsted. McLean played a fine game on defence and as must be noted, Dave Windsor was real busy in the WING nets! Yeh, Like, crazy.

Wesley was the big gun for the LEAF club hanging up his first hat-trick of the year. "Reb" Settee rapped a pair home and the other LEAF tallies were notched by "Blackie" Gagnon and "Big-Chief" Willie Benning. Gagnon and "Old Reliable" O'Grady each had a pair of helpers with Savage adding another.

HAWKS 2 CANADIANS 1

The HAWKS held on to an early gained two goal lead to edge the front running CANUCKS in a lack luster contest. It was a game that didn't mean too much to either of the teams, position-wise in the standings so there was a definite lack of action in this one. Claude Paquin in the HAWK net and Hank Vivier, the CANUCK cage tender, were by and large the best performers on view this day.

Ibey srtuck early for the HAWKS rapping home Roulette's pass after only a minute of play. Roulette made it a two - nothing ball game by deflecting a drive by Stewart past a surprised Vivier. Mitchell and Berryman combined for the CANUCK tally with Mitchell pulling the trigger.

Referees Jack Chisholm and Larry K. showed early in the contest that there would be no repetition of rough play that was evident in a previous game between these two clubs as they kept control throughout.

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PENAL ECHOETTES

D. Windsor

One glance is all that is needed for you to see that this month's exchange page is slightly "different" than usual. Some of our local readers have been hearing and reading about penal publications from penitentiaries across Canada and the U. S. but, no doubt, they are wondering which mag is the best. I have taken this survey from the exchanges I have received during the past six months and the categories and choice of magazines are strictly my own opinions and not necessarily those of the Editor or printing staff of the Mountain Echoes.

THE BEST ALL-AROUND MAGAZINES (glossy paper)

(1) The Harbinger: Box 569, Hutchinson, Kansas
(2) The Atlantian: Box PMB, Atlanta, Georgia
(3) C. B. Diamond: Box 190, Kingston, Ontario

THE BEST ALL-AROUND NEWSPAPER:

(1) The Spectator: 4000 Cooper St., Jackson, Michigan
(2) The Reflector: Box 28, Pendleton, Indiana
(3) San Quentin News: San Quentin, California

THE MOST CONSISTENT:

(1) The Spectator: 4000 Cooper St., Jackson, Michigan
(2) The Angolite: Angola, Louisiana
(3) The Enchanted News: Box 1059, Santa Fe, New Mexico

THE MOST IMPROVED:

(1) The Enchanted News: Box 1059, Santa Fe, New Mexico
(2) The Clock: Box 1719, Boise, Idaho
(3) Lanedale Newsy News: Rockwell, Iowa

THE MOST "TALKED ABOUT":

(1) MOUNTAIN ECHOES: Box 101, Stony Mountain, Manitoba

THE HARBINGER: 'Twas approximately nine-thirty when I read your "Let's Get Nonchalant" and I started to laugh. Next morning, three guys met me at the door and so, with a broken arm, I bravely add one comment. Ha!

I've come to the conclusion that your "Ernie (Bicycle) White" is very similiar to our Editor. Like the T.V. jazz? ". . . sitting about a foot or a foot and a half away from the set with protruding eyes." Yeah!

THE MONTHLY RECORD: George E. Tolx has the possibilities of becoming a good short story author. His "The Passing of the Thunder Mug" was humerous, well written and interesting - - - - something that an author has to be, to hold the readers interest. Very good, George.

CENSUS

February 17 — March 25

High number	8051
Low number	4739
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